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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR THE RELOCATION OF DALLAS ARMY AVIATION SUPPORT FACILITY TO NAVAL AIR STATION JOINT RESERVE BASE IN FORT WORTH, TEXAS

Description. Interested parties are hereby notified that the TXARNG has prepared a draft Environmental Assessment (EA) regarding the proposed action described below.

Statutory Authority. This notice is being issued to all interested parties in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, the Council on Environmental Quality regulations for implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act (40 CFR § 1500-1508) and the Environmental Analysis of Army Actions (32 CFR § 651).

Proposed Action. The TXARNG proposes to relocate the Dallas Army Aviation Support Facility (DAASF or AASF #3) from Hensley Field in Grand Prairie, Texas to Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base (NAS JRB) in Fort Worth, Texas. The EA evaluated the potential environmental impacts associated with the renovation of two hangar facilities and apron space at NAS JRB, as well as the operation of the DAASF on NAS JRB property.

The proposed action will include relocation of the following personnel and equipment associated with the DAASF:

- Six CH-47 Chinook helicopters
- Associated maintenance and support equipment including two heavy expanded mobility tactical truck (HEMTT) fuel tankers, power generators, tugs to move aircraft, and associated maintenance and repair equipment.
- Authorized strength of 57 personnel consisting of 3 civilians, 2 Active Guard Reserve (AGR) soldiers, and 52 dual status soldiers. Actual personnel working at the DAASF or engaged in training flights may vary slightly from these numbers.

Public Review. The EA will undergo a 30-day public comment period from March 1, 2020 through March 31, 2020 in accordance with 32 CFR § 651.14, Environmental Analysis of Army Actions. During this period the public may submit comments on the EA. The EA is available for public review at the reference desk of the Fort Worth Public Library located at 500 W 3rd Street, Fort Worth, Texas, 76102. It is also available for public review at Camp Mabry located at 2210 West 35th Street, Austin, Texas 78763, contact David Boucher at david.n.boucher.nfg@mail.mil.

Comments. Comments on the EA should be submitted during the 30-day comment period via postal mail or e-mail to: David N. Boucher, Adjutant General's Department of Texas, 2210 West 35th Street, Austin, Texas 78763; e-mail: david.n.boucher.nfg@mail.mil.